

81. (New) The labelstock of claim 56 wherein the multilayer film has a haze of less than about 6%.

82. (New) The labelstock of claim 56 wherein the biaxially oriented multilayer film is prepared by simultaneous biaxial orientation.

83. (New) An adhesive containing labelstock for use in adhesive labels which comprises

(A) a die-cuttable, biaxially oriented multilayer film having an overall thickness of from about 1 mil to about 3.5 mils, and comprising

(A-1) a base layer having an upper surface and a lower surface, and comprising polyethylene having a density of about 0.940 g/cm³ or less, a propylene polymer or copolymer, or mixtures thereof wherein the base layer is free of copolymers of ethylene with an ethylenically unsaturated carboxylic acid or ester, and

(A-2) a first skin layer of a thermoplastic polymer bonded to the upper surface of the base layer, wherein the tensile modulus of the multilayer film in the machine direction is greater than the tensile modulus in the cross direction, the tensile modulus of the multilayer film in the cross direction is 150,000 psi or less, and the biaxially oriented multilayer film has been oriented in the machine direction at a stretch ratio of from about 5:1 to about 10:1 and in the cross direction at a stretch ratio of from greater than 1:1 up to about 5:1; provided the stretch ratio in the cross direction is less than the ratio in the machine direction; and

(B) an adhesive layer having an upper surface and a lower surface wherein the upper surface of the adhesive layer is adhesively joined to the lower surface of the base layer.

REMARKS

The Examiner is requested to enter the above amendments to the claims. The new claims are fully supported in the application as follows.

Claim 79: Support for stretching in the cross direction at a ratio of from greater than 1:1 to about 5:1 is found on page 19 of the written description, line 18.